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TO: ALL SUPERVISORS

FROM: P. MICHAEL FREEMAN

FIRE ACTIVITY UPDATE

This is to provide you with an update regarding the two working fire incidents in Los Angeles County.

The "Airport IC", located on Catalina Island, has been 30% contained, with complete containment and control projected by 5:00 PM tomorrow. Demobilization of resources will commence Thursday morning. Approximately 110 acres burned, no structures were damaged, and one firefighter sustained a minor injury. The winds have subsided and the weather has changed to an on-shore flow, which has caused an increase in humidity to assist the firefighting efforts.

The "Pacific IC" in Malibu has been 95% contained with small pockets still smoking. 2,200 acres have been affected, with three structures and one vehicle damaged. Pacific Coast Highway and all side streets and roads will be opened at 6:00 PM tonight, including re-entry for all evacuated areas. Demobilization of resources will commence at 6:00 PM tonight, with 7 Type-1 strike teams, 1 helicopter, and 4 crews remaining. Complete control is anticipated by Friday morning.

I will keep you updated as matters progress. Please feel free to call me if you have questions.

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